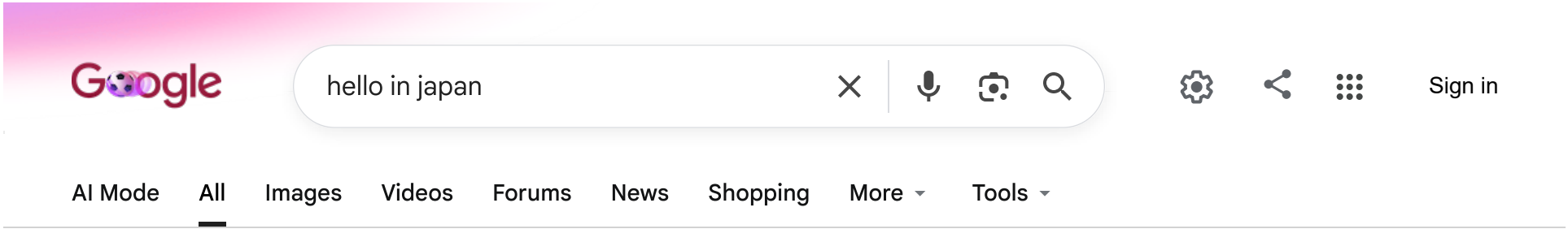
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Standard & Formal Greetings

- **Konnichiwa (こんにちは):** Pronounced *kohn-nee-chee-wah*. The standard "hello" or "good afternoon," used mid-morning through the afternoon.
- **Ohayou gozaimasu (おはようございます):** Pronounced *oh-hah-yoh goh-zye-mah-sue*. "Good morning," used before noon.
- **Konbanwa (こんばんは):** Pronounced *kohn-bahn-wah*. "Good evening," used after sundown. YouTube · NihongoDekita with Sayaka +2

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- **Ohayou (おはよう):** Pronounced *oh-hah-yoh*. The casual version of good morning.
- **Yahho (やっほー):** Pronounced *yah-hoh*. A cute, casual "hi" used mostly by young women and children.
- **Yo (よー):** Pronounced *yoh*. A very casual, masculine greeting similar to "what's up". YouTube · NihongoDekita with Sayaka +3

Special Situations

- **Moshi moshi (もしもし):** Pronounced *moh-shee moh-shee*. Used exclusively when answering or making a phone call.
- **Hajimemashite (はじめまして):** Pronounced *hah-jee-meh-mah-she-teh*. "Nice to meet you," used only the very first time you meet someone. YouTube · Learn Japanese with Japane... +2

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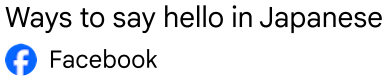
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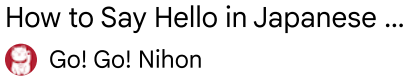
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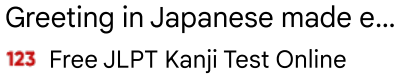
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